Questions and Responses to Final RFP NNG13449004R

1. The response to question #60 from the draft RFP states that, due to the addition of critical SOW requirements, the page limit for the Mission Suitability Volume would be increased to 75 pages. However, in L.12 (b), the page limit for Mission Suitability is 70 pages. Will the government confirm that the page limit for the Mission Suitability Volume is 75 pages?

Response: The page limit for Mission Suitability Volume is 75 pages.

2. Enclosure A and Exhibit 2A. There are three Government Position Descriptions listed on Exhibit 2A which do not have Government Position Descriptions on Enclosure A. Will the Government provide the position descriptions for the QA Process Analyst, the Senior Facilities Technician, and the Junior Software Engineer? Or should we use the descriptions for these positions from the e-library "GSFC FDSS I – Historical Data" listing of Government Position Descriptions?

Response: Position Descriptions for the QA Process Analyst, the Senior Facilities Technician, and the Junior Software Engineer have been incorporated into the revised Enclosure A. Additionally, Exhibit 1A was revised to include the hours associated with these labor categories for CY 1-5.

3. Ref: J.1 and Attachment K - The title of Attachment K has been changed to Contractor Proposed Enhancement (CPE). However, Section J.1, List of Attachments, includes Attachment K, Contractor Proposed Enhancements/Innovations. Please clarify that the title on the Attachment is the correct title and update Section J.1 accordingly.

Response: The title of Attachment K has been revised to Contractor Proposed Enhancement (CPE) in Section J.1.

4. Ref: L.12(b) In response to Question 60, the Government indicated that the page limitation for the Mission Suitability Volume would be increased to 75 pages based on clarification of the material to be addressed as well as a new requirement. However, the page limit stated in Section L.12(b) of the final RFP is 70 pages. In addition, the clarified instructions Attachment K in the final RFP now require the offerors to provide more of the details in the Mission Suitability Volume. We request that the Government increase the page limitation to 75 pages as originally indicated in the response to the question.

Response: See response to question #1.

5. Ref: Enclosure A, Government position descriptions - Is there a specific discipline the government has in mind for the Engineer labor category or is the intent for this position to have a broad array of Engineering skills and experience spread across multiple disciplines? We recommend that the Government provide a single discipline for this Engineer such as Mechanical, Electrical, or Systems based on the SOW.

Response: Yes it is the Government's intent for this position to have a broad array of Engineering skills and experience spread across multiple disciplines. Thus the Government will not provide a single engineering discipline.

6. In the "FDSS-II Phase-In Activities" file in the FDSS II RFP Library, the Government has defined the tasks that are expected to transition upon award of the FDSS II contract. Was it the Government intention to omit the task orders for MMS, DSCOVR, and GPM from the tasks that are expected to transition to FDSS II?

Response: Yes. The GPM task should be completed before the award of the FDSS II contract. MMS and DSCOVR have launch dates in January 2015 or earlier, and the Government may elect to extend the current tasks in order to avoid a disruption and unnecessary risks to the missions within a couple months of launch, and after mission rehearsals and readiness test have already taken place.